

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph at page 11, lines 4-16 as set forth below:

The lid member 5 has a flat shape, and a blazing filler layer 51 made of a metallic material having a low melting temperature such as an Au/Sn alloy is formed at a part of the lid member 5 corresponding to the lid member joint part 35 formed on the upper end face of the package 3. As a result, the airtightness of the cavity 3b in the package 3 is maintained by joining the blazing filler layer 51 of the lid member 5 to the lid member joint part 35 of the package 3. As a joining method of the lid member 5, various methods such as a seam welding method and a laser welding method, may be adopted other than the brazing method, and that as a junction material, various materials such as a low melting point glass can also be used other than the ~~Au/Su~~ Au/Sn alloy.